

P&amp;G Case 7070

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of :

Donn Nelson Rubingh et al. :

Serial No. 09/646,984 :

Filed September 25, 2000 :

Confirmation No. 3865

Group Art Unit 1652

Examiner Wm. W. Moore

For **SERINE PROTEASE VARIANTS HAVING AMINO ACID DELETIONS AND  
SUBSTITUTIONS**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents


Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2002, for one (1) month, from January 22, 2003 to February 22, 2003. Applicants authorize payment of the accompanying fee of \$110.00 from Deposit Account 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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